

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1-38 (cancelled)

39. (currently amended) A cutting device for performing cutting operations on a workpiece, said cutting device comprising:

a base adapted to receive said workpiece;

a support attached to said base;

a drive assembly pivotable attached to said support, said drive assembly including a motor having an arbor shaft rotatably about an arbor axis;

a cutting tool attached to said arbor shaft;

a fixed guard fixedly attached to said ~~rive~~ drive assembly and pivotably with said drive assembly, said fixed guard covering a first portion of said cutting tool;

a movable guard pivotably attached to said drive assembly for pivotal movement about said arbor axis, said movable guard movable between a closed position covering a second portion of said cutting tool and an open position exposing said second portion of said cutting tool;

a separate arbor cover pivotably secured to said fixed guard, said arbor cover being pivotal between a first position covering said arbor shaft and a second position completely uncovering said arbor shaft;

a torsional coil spring biasing said movable guard into said closed position;

wherein said support is pivotably attached to said base; and

wherein said movable guard is disposed over said stationary guard.

40. (original) The cutting device according to Claim 39, wherein said movable guard is movable between a closed position covering said second portion of said cutting tool and an open position uncovering a majority of said second portion of said cutting tool, said arbor cover being entirely uncovered when said moveable guard is in said closed and open positions.

41. (original) The cutting device according to Claim 40, wherein said entire movable guard covers said fixed guard when said movable guard is in said open position.

42. (currently amended) A cutting device for performing cutting operations on a workpiece, said cutting device comprising:

a base adapted to receive said workpiece;

a support attached to said base;

a drive assembly pivotable attached to said support, said drive assembly including a motor having an arbor shaft rotatably about an arbor axis;

a cutting tool attached to said arbor shaft;

a fixed guard fixedly attached to said ~~rive~~ drive assembly and pivotably with said drive assembly, said fixed guard covering a first portion of said cutting tool;

a movable guard pivotably attached to said drive assembly for pivotal movement about said arbor axis, said movable guard movable between a closed position covering a second portion of said cutting tool and an open position exposing said second portion of said cutting tool;

a separate arbor cover pivotably secured to said fixed guard, said arbor cover being pivotal between a first position covering said arbor shaft and a second position completely uncovering said arbor shaft; and

a torsional coil spring biasing said movable guard into said closed position; and

wherein said movable guard is disposed over said stationary guard.

43. (original) The cutting device according to Claim 42, wherein said movable guard is movable between a closed position covering said second portion of said cutting tool and an open position uncovering a majority of said second portion of said cutting tool, said arbor cover being entirely uncovered when said movable guard is in said closed and open positions.

44. (original) The cutting device according to Claim 43, wherein said entire movable guard covers said fixed guard when said movable guard is in said open position.

47. (previously presented) A cutting device for performing cutting operations on a workpiece, said cutting device comprising:

a base adapted to receive said workpiece;

a support arm attached to said base;

a drive support slidingly engaging said support arm;

a drive assembly pivotably attached to said drive support, said drive assembly including a motor having an arbor shaft rotatably about an arbor axis;

a cutting tool attached to said arbor shaft;

a fixed guard fixedly attached to said drive assembly and pivotably with said drive assembly, said fixed guard covering a first portion of said cutting tool;

a movable guard pivotably attached to said drive assembly for pivotal movement about said arbor axis, said movable guard movable between a closed position covering a second portion of said cutting tool and an open position exposing said second portion of said cutting tool;

a separate arbor cover pivotably secured to said fixed guard, said arbor cover being pivotable between a first position covering said arbor shaft and a second position completely uncovering said arbor shaft; and

a torsional coil spring biasing said movable guard into said closed position; and

wherein said movable guard is disposed over said stationary guard.

48. (original) The cutting device according to Claim 47, wherein said movable guard is movable between a closed position covering said second portion of said cutting tool and an open position uncovering a majority of said second portion of said cutting tool, said arbor cover being entirely uncovered when said movable guard is in said closed and open positions.

49. (original) The cutting device according to Claim 48, wherein said entire movable guard covers said fixed guard when said movable guard is in said open position.

50-58 (cancelled)